

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Incident:* 22-19680

**Location:** 1300 Block of Spinnaker Drive

**Date/Time Occurred**: 03/27/22 @ 1542 hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Patrol

Suspect(s): Joshua Campbell, 06/23/99, Santa Barbara Resident

**Report #:** 22-19680

## Narrative:

On the above date and time, Ventura Police Patrol Officers attempted to stop a stolen vehicle in the area of Harbor Blvd. and the Ventura Pier. The car, a white Jeep Cherokee, was reported stolen in Ventura on March 26, 2022. The driver did not yield to officers, and a pursuit was initiated. Officers pursued the vehicle eastbound Harbor Blvd. for about 2 miles and terminated the pursuit due to the driver failing to stop at a red light and driving at a high rate of speed.

After the pursuit was terminated, a witness notified officers that the vehicle was seen turning onto Spinnaker Dr. towards the Ventura Harbor. Officers located the car parked and unoccupied in the 1300 Block of Spinnaker Drive. As officers checked the area, they saw Campbell, who matched the driver's description, walking near the Four Points Sheraton Hotel. Officers took Campbell into custody without incident. During the investigation, officers learned that a minor hit and run traffic collision involving the Jeep Cherokee occurred at Harbor Blvd and Olivas Park Dr.

Campbell was arrested for Felony Evading, Unlawful Taking of a Vehicle, Hit and Run, and a parole violation. No one was injured during this incident.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.